

WILLARD ENTERS RING SLIGHT FAVORITE OVER DEMPSEY; BIG CROWD GATHERS SLOWLY

TOLEDO, Ohio, July 4.—At 3:30 o'clock this afternoon Jess Willard, of Lawrence, Kansas, and Jack Dempsey, of Salt Lake City, Utah, will meet in a 12-round boxing match here to decide the heavyweight championship of the world.

The original hour for the championship fight to begin, namely, 3 p.m., remains unchanged, but promoters and managers all have agreed that on account of announcements and other delays it probably will be 3:30 before the bout begins.

Tex Rickard, promoter, picked 3:30 as the probable hour when time would be called for the first round. Because of the size of the crowd, he said, the exact hour could only be approximated.

At their respective quarters this morning it was stated both fighters had slept well and were ready for the contest. From managers and principals came renewed expressions of confidence

Everybody had a bed last night, it was said, largely for the reason that every Toledan who could went into the lodgings for house business for the occasion. Early today they were astir, turning out of Pullmans, hotels, vacant stores given over to costumed seeking breakfast and turning their steps toward the great arena at Bayview park.

bombing with the down, nor was it entirely asleep during the night, for now and then a truck loaded with supplies for the vendors moved out in the darkness. With daylight traffic increased, adequate to the task of bringing the crowd back to town. Two main thoroughfares were available for automobiles and pedestrians, but great congestion was anticipated, and it was thought certain that thousands would

In the arena carpenters were still busy putting on the final touches to the vast amphitheater, with its 30,000 seats. Thousands of these were still on sale this morning. Every road leading into the city saw automobiles bringing

their heads of light enthalpies from the heat of the sun, and the stadium was a sea of white. Many contained family parties from the country, come to see, not the fight itself, but the stirring, eager crowd at each side of the ring. Outside the arena, The money goes to the city. A Willard remained favorite in the betting, one man paraded the ring, and the crowd was in an amiable reading: "I will bet this machine against \$10.00 on Dempsey's."

Emergency ambulances and all police headquarters were at police headquarters for instant use in event of trouble. The fight of the evening, it was said,

There would be no preventing a rush for the gates after the match. However, the vast throng was to get back into the city as a problem concerning which there was more hope than confidence. At the last moment, traffic regulations were amended to permit traffic both ways on Summit avenue, but it was of any sort. Fire brigades, police, and men stationed in various sections of the arena. Fire apparatus will be stationed outside the arena. All physicians in Toledo were registered with the police and were available for emergencies.

AIRMEN SOAR OVER RING; TAKE PICTURES OF FIGHT

RINGSIDE, TOLEDO, July 4.—At 12:45 p.m. the thermometer at the ringside showed 112 degrees.

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perimeter of the arena. It did not put out into the bowl of the amphitheater.

The seats were filling steadily with a crowd which to a man had discarded coats and, like O'Boyle and Bessouin, were sweating. The heat produced by the numerous spectators who crowded the seats with handskerchiefs surmounted by their hats.

The temperature in the press seats was

difficult to play jazz, but made sorry work for it. The brass instruments were hot, they almost burned the hands of their players, and all the pep had sweated from the snare drum.

Some of the men in the auditorium swirled and grayed above. He looked cool, in any event.

Preliminaries Are Pulled Off Before Small Crowd in Arena

The first preliminary, a six-round go between Tommy O'Boyle, Toledo, 116 pounds, and Solly Epstein, of Indianapolis, 114 pounds, was

The second preliminary, just before noon, scheduled to go rounds, between "Wop" English and Battling Wendt, both of Toledo, ended in the first round, English winning by a knockout.

BELGIUM SWARMS WITH 800,000 IDLE CITIZENS

BRUSSELS, July 4.—The number of unemployed in Belgium is becoming alarming to the minister for food, but the government is unable to do much.

is diminishing from day to day.

Only two furnaces are working in Belgium, of which 100 in the war existed in Belgium. Of these 60 still four have been completely, or to a very large extent, destroyed by the Germans.

The steel and iron production, which in 1914 attained 2,249,000 tons, is still only 1,000,000 tons. In the coal fields, 1914 only about 200 are working.

In California, are seeking admission into Mexico where they hope to find work. They are not only seeking employment in the manufacture of wine and other beverages, but demand that their services will cause a great increase in the production of the United States.

Officials here point out that at present there are more than 100,000 immigrants in the United States.

It is hoped that the bulk of this year at least 25 blast furnaces will be producing steel at a rate of 100,000 tons per month, and that the prewar production will be obtained.

Six thousand operatives have resumed work in the linen industry. The English week of 54 hours has been agreed to.

In the textile industry (carding) work may be resumed several weeks ahead of the rest of the manuf-

that it is proposed to plant colonies in the states of Durango, Sinaloa and Navarre.

WHAT JESS AND JACK DID WITH SAME OPPONENT.

WILLARD.

**MURFREESBORO MAN
FACES SERIOUS CHARGE**

MURFREESBORO, Tenn., July 4.—

San Baskins, in jail here charged with being an accessory to the murder of John H. King, whose dead body was found under a brush pile near his home during the early part of May, has confessed, according to Sheriff Mann, that he shot and killed King for a money consideration.